

FIGURE 1

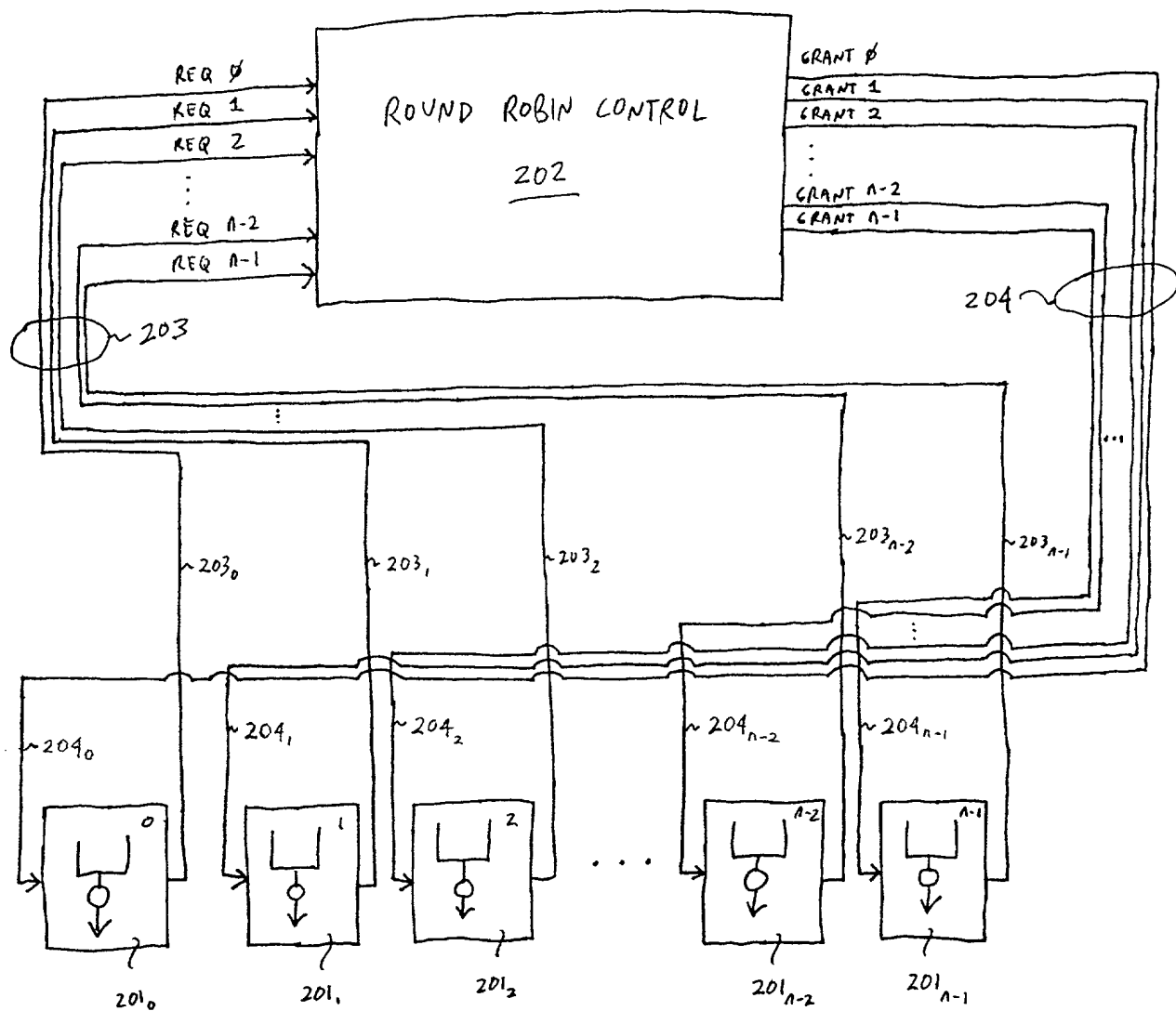


FIGURE 2

FIGURE 3a

The diagram illustrates a Round Robin Control Unit (302b) for managing multiple requests. On the left, a vertical bus 303 receives a series of requests: REQ 0, REQ 1, REQ 2, ..., REQ N-2, REQ N-1. These requests are distributed to a set of parallel processing blocks. Each block is a 'K GRANT GENERATION UNIT' where K ranges from 0 to N-1. Specifically, the blocks are labeled K=0, K=1, K=2, ..., K=N-2, K=N-1. Each unit receives an n-bit input from bus 303 and produces an n-bit output labeled 315₀, 315₁, 315₂, ..., 315_{N-2}, 315_{N-1}. These outputs are fed into a large OR gate (320). The output of the OR gate is connected to a set of output lines labeled GRANT 0, GRANT 1, GRANT 2, ..., GRANT N-2, GRANT N-1. These lines are also connected to a second vertical bus 304 on the right, which is labeled with 304₀, 304₁, 304₂, ..., 304_{N-2}, 304_{N-1}. The entire unit is labeled 'ROUND ROBIN CONTROL UNIT 302b'.

FIGURE 3b

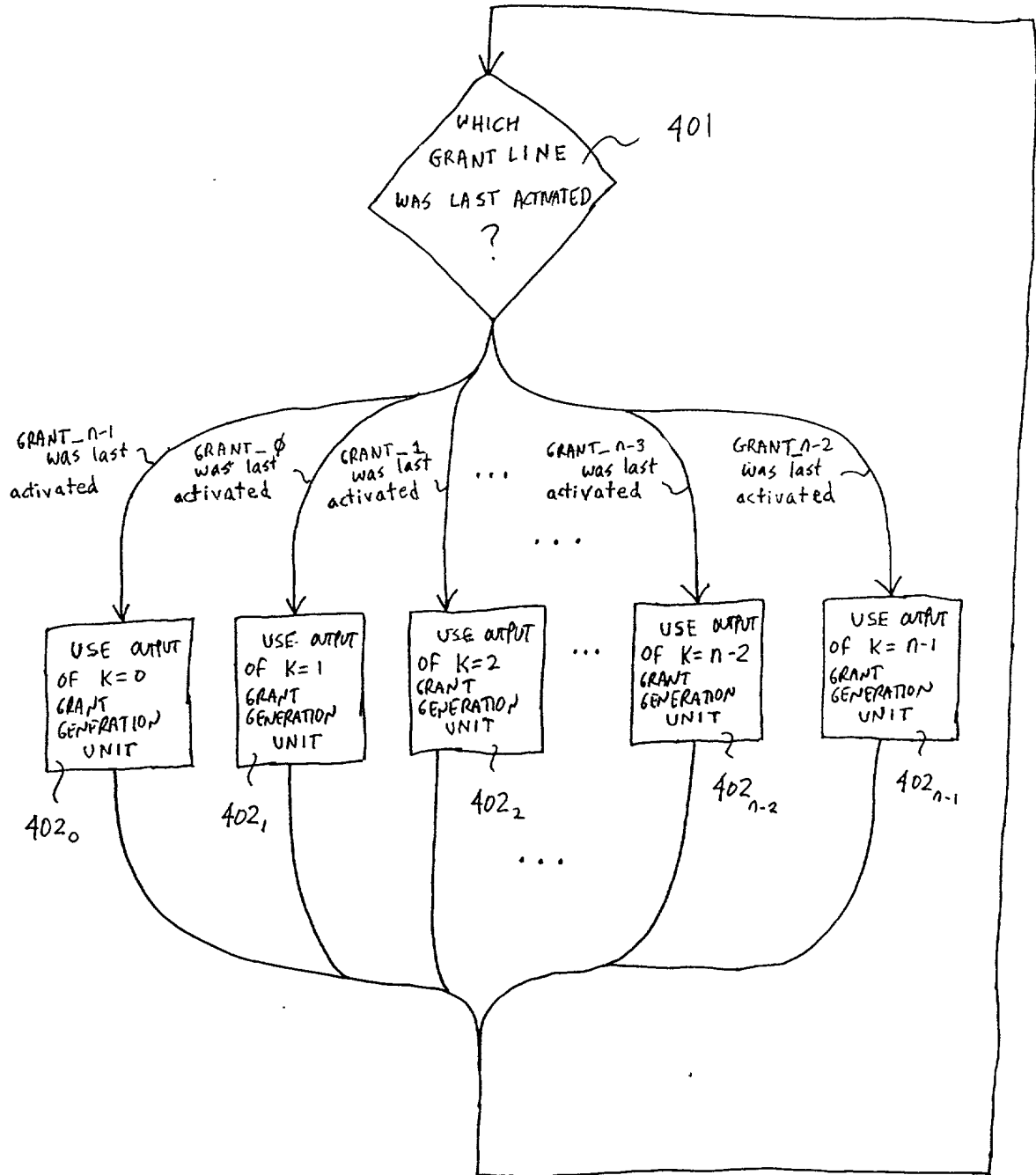


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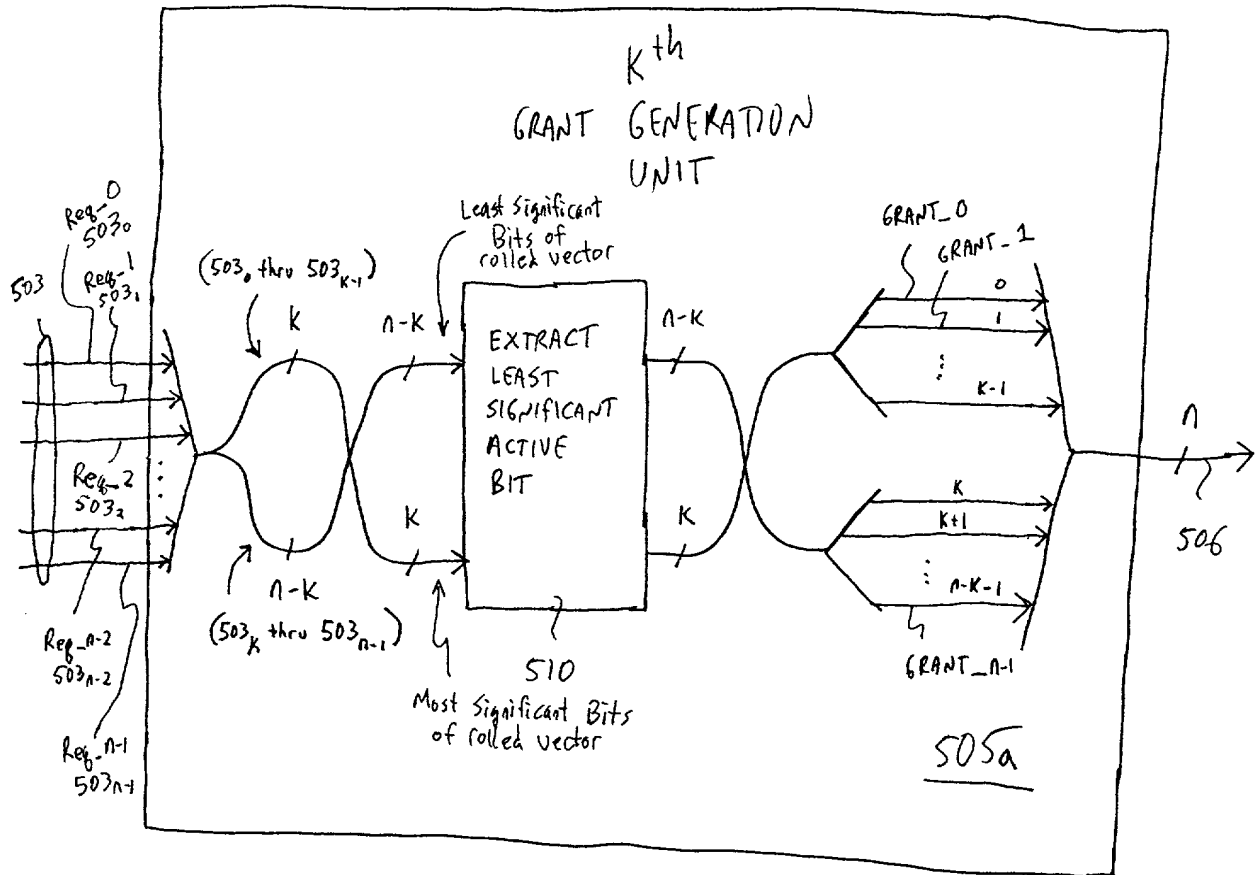


FIGURE 5a

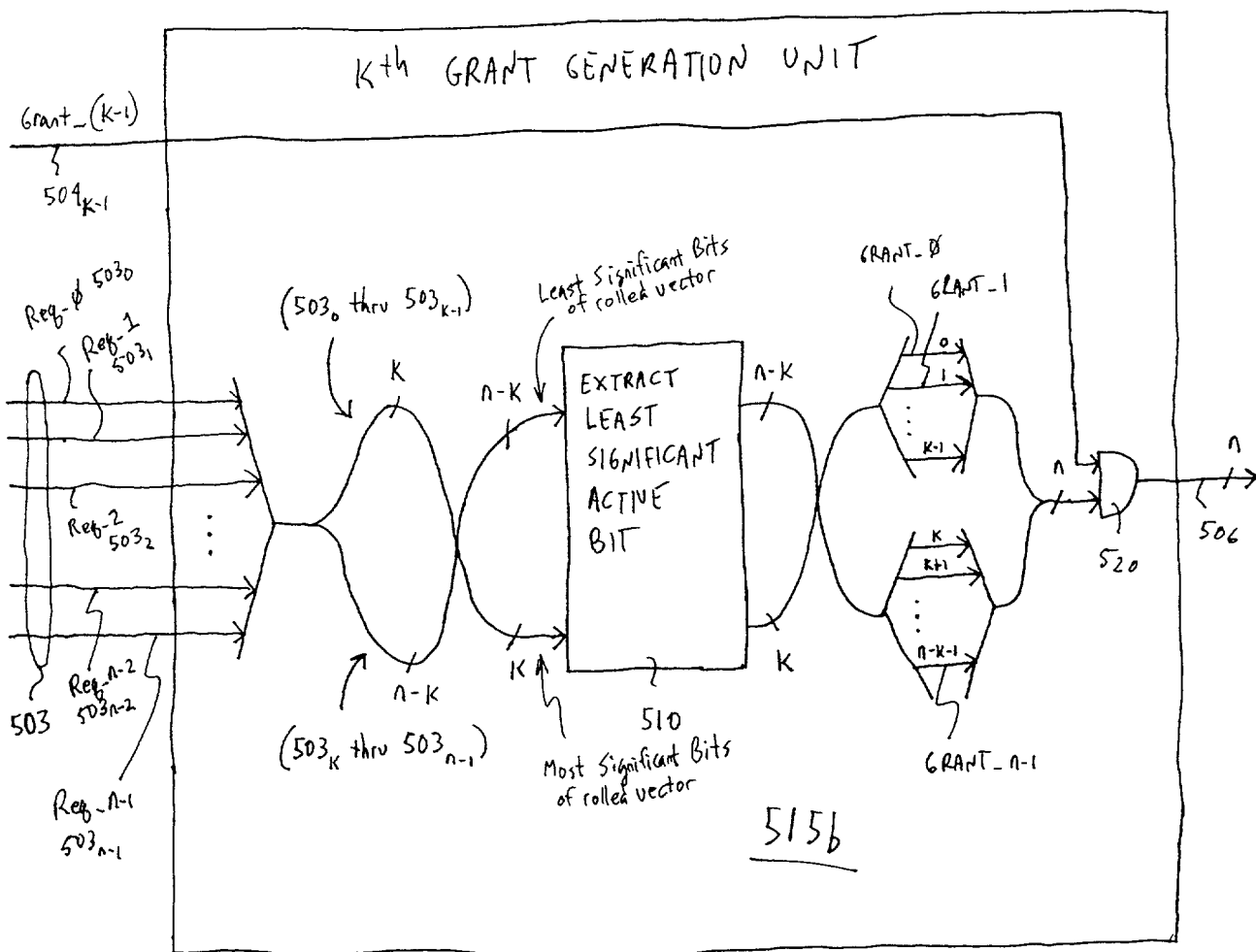


FIGURE 5b

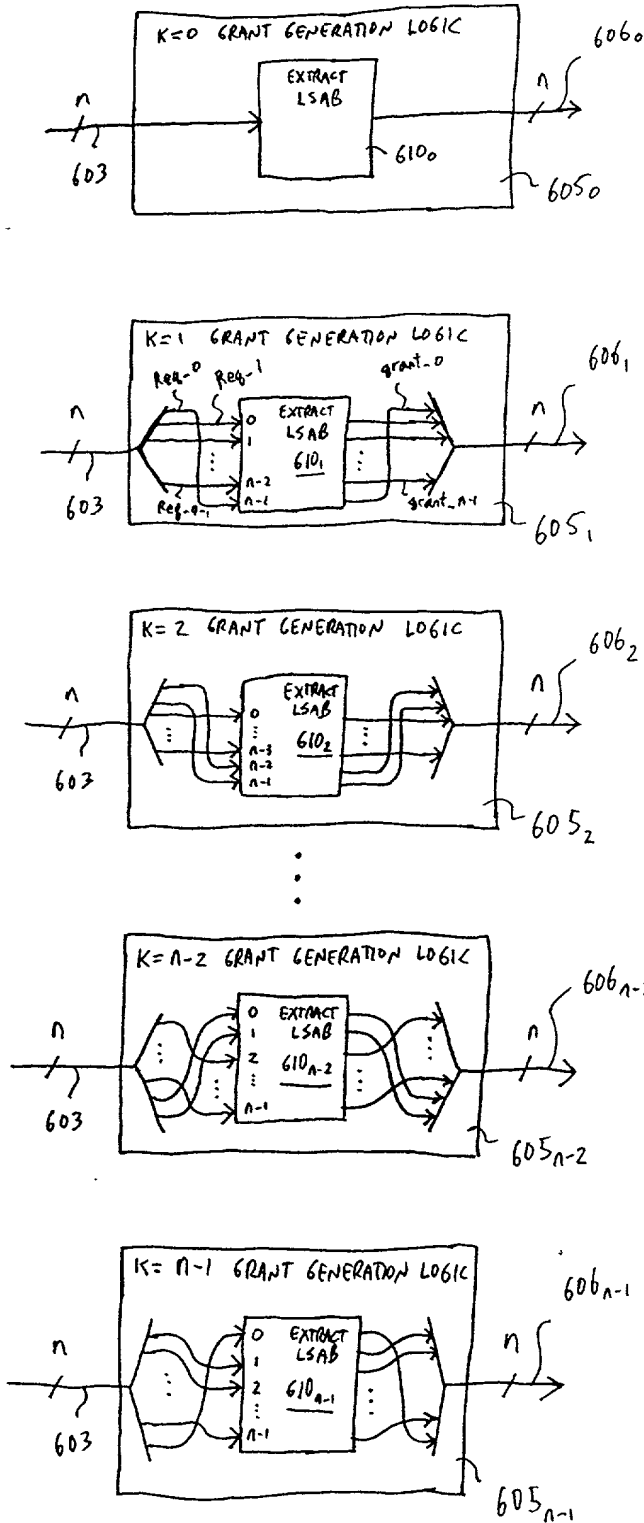


FIGURE 6


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module rr (dataIn, state, dataOut) /* synthesis syn_hier = "flatten,remove" */;

input [19:0]    dataIn;
input [19:0]    state;
output [19:0]   dataOut;

wire [19:0]     dataOut0, dataOut1, dataOut2, dataOut3, dataOut4,
                dataOut5, dataOut6, dataOut7, dataOut8, dataOut9,
                dataOut10, dataOut11, dataOut12, dataOut13, dataOut14,
                dataOut15, dataOut16, dataOut17, dataOut18, dataOut19;

prio prio0 (.dataIn(dataIn), .en(state[19]),
            .dataOut(dataOut0));

prio prio1 (.dataIn({dataIn[0], dataIn[19:1]}), .en(state[0]),
            .dataOut({dataOut1[0], dataOut1[19:1]}));

prio prio2 (.dataIn({dataIn[1:0], dataIn[19:2]}), .en(state[1]),
            .dataOut({dataOut2[1:0], dataOut2[19:2]}));

prio prio3 (.dataIn({dataIn[2:0], dataIn[19:3]}), .en(state[2]),
            .dataOut({dataOut3[2:0], dataOut3[19:3]}));

prio prio4 (.dataIn({dataIn[3:0], dataIn[19:4]}), .en(state[3]),
            .dataOut({dataOut4[3:0], dataOut4[19:4]}));

prio prio5 (.dataIn({dataIn[4:0], dataIn[19:5]}), .en(state[4]),
            .dataOut({dataOut5[4:0], dataOut5[19:5]}));

prio prio6 (.dataIn({dataIn[5:0], dataIn[19:6]}), .en(state[5]),
            .dataOut({dataOut6[5:0], dataOut6[19:6]}));

prio prio7 (.dataIn({dataIn[6:0], dataIn[19:7]}), .en(state[6]),
            .dataOut({dataOut7[6:0], dataOut7[19:7]}));

prio prio8 (.dataIn({dataIn[7:0], dataIn[19:8]}), .en(state[7]),
            .dataOut({dataOut8[7:0], dataOut8[19:8]}));

prio prio9 (.dataIn({dataIn[8:0], dataIn[19:9]}), .en(state[8]),
            .dataOut({dataOut9[8:0], dataOut9[19:9]}));

prio prio10 (.dataIn({dataIn[9:0], dataIn[19:10]}), .en(state[9]),
            .dataOut({dataOut10[9:0], dataOut10[19:10]}));

prio prio11 (.dataIn({dataIn[10:0], dataIn[19:11]}), .en(state[10]),
            .dataOut({dataOut11[10:0], dataOut11[19:11]}));

prio prio12 (.dataIn({dataIn[11:0], dataIn[19:12]}), .en(state[11]),
            .dataOut({dataOut12[11:0], dataOut12[19:12]}));

prio prio13 (.dataIn({dataIn[12:0], dataIn[19:13]}), .en(state[12]),
            .dataOut({dataOut13[12:0], dataOut13[19:13]}));

prio prio14 (.dataIn({dataIn[13:0], dataIn[19:14]}), .en(state[13]),
            .dataOut({dataOut14[13:0], dataOut14[19:14]}));

prio prio15 (.dataIn({dataIn[14:0], dataIn[19:15]}), .en(state[14]),
            .dataOut({dataOut15[14:0], dataOut15[19:15]}));

prio prio16 (.dataIn({dataIn[15:0], dataIn[19:16]}), .en(state[15]),
            .dataOut({dataOut16[15:0], dataOut16[19:16]}));

prio prio17 (.dataIn({dataIn[16:0], dataIn[19:17]}), .en(state[16]),
            .dataOut({dataOut17[16:0], dataOut17[19:17]}));

prio prio18 (.dataIn({dataIn[17:0], dataIn[19:18]}), .en(state[17]),
            .dataOut({dataOut18[17:0], dataOut18[19:18]}));

prio prio19 (.dataIn({dataIn[18:0], dataIn[19]}), .en(state[18]),
            .dataOut({dataOut19[18:0], dataOut19[19]}));

assign dataOut = ((dataOut0 | dataOut1 | dataOut2 | dataOut3) |
                  (dataOut4 | dataOut5 | dataOut6 | dataOut7) |
                  (dataOut8 | dataOut9 | dataOut10 | dataOut11) |
                  (dataOut12 | dataOut13 | dataOut14 | dataOut15) |
                  (dataOut16 | dataOut17 | dataOut18 | dataOut19));

endmodule // rr

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Figure 4. The "round robin" top level Verilog module for N=20

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module prio (dataIn, en, dataOut);  
input [19:0] dataIn;  
input en;  
output [19:0] dataOut;
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reg [19:0] i_dataOut0;
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FIGURE 8

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always @(*AUTONSENSE*/dataIn) begin  
    i_dataOut0 = 20'd0;  
    if (dataIn[0]) i_dataOut0 = 20'h00001;  
    else if (dataIn[1]) i_dataOut0 = 20'h00002;  
    else if (dataIn[2]) i_dataOut0 = 20'h00004;  
    else if (dataIn[3]) i_dataOut0 = 20'h00008;  
    else if (dataIn[4]) i_dataOut0 = 20'h00010;  
    else if (dataIn[5]) i_dataOut0 = 20'h00020;  
    else if (dataIn[6]) i_dataOut0 = 20'h00040;  
    else if (dataIn[7]) i_dataOut0 = 20'h00080;  
    else if (dataIn[8]) i_dataOut0 = 20'h00100;  
    else if (dataIn[9]) i_dataOut0 = 20'h00200;  
    else if (dataIn[10]) i_dataOut0 = 20'h00400;  
    else if (dataIn[11]) i_dataOut0 = 20'h00800;  
    else if (dataIn[12]) i_dataOut0 = 20'h01000;  
    else if (dataIn[13]) i_dataOut0 = 20'h02000;  
    else if (dataIn[14]) i_dataOut0 = 20'h04000;  
    else if (dataIn[15]) i_dataOut0 = 20'h08000;  
    else if (dataIn[16]) i_dataOut0 = 20'h10000;  
    else if (dataIn[17]) i_dataOut0 = 20'h20000;  
    else if (dataIn[18]) i_dataOut0 = 20'h40000;  
    else if (dataIn[19]) i_dataOut0 = 20'h80000;  
end
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assign dataOut = {20{en}} & i_dataOut0;
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endmodule // prio
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Figure 5. The basic "brute force" verilog implementation of the "prio" module for N=20. This generates the smallest area but is slower than the alternative implementation shown next.

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module prio (dataIn, en, dataOut) /* synthesis syn_hier = "flatten,remove" */;
input [19:0] dataIn;
input en;
output [19:0] dataOut;

reg [4:0] i_dataOut0;
reg [4:0] i_dataOut1;
reg [4:0] i_dataOut2;
reg [4:0] i_dataOut3;
wire [9:0] i_dataOut4;
wire [9:0] i_dataOut5;

wire muxCtl1;
wire muxCtl2;
wire muxCtl3;

// Calc in parallel
assign muxCtl1 = |dataIn[4:0];
assign muxCtl2 = |dataIn[14:10];
assign muxCtl3 = |dataIn[9:5] | muxCtl1;

always @(*AUTONSENSE*/dataIn) begin
    i_dataOut0 = 5'd0;
    if (dataIn[0]) i_dataOut0 = 5'h01;
    else if (dataIn[1]) i_dataOut0 = 5'h02;
    else if (dataIn[2]) i_dataOut0 = 5'h04;
    else if (dataIn[3]) i_dataOut0 = 5'h08;
    else if (dataIn[4]) i_dataOut0 = 5'h10;
end // always @ (...)

always @(*AUTONSENSE*/dataIn) begin
    i_dataOut1 = 5'd0;
    if (dataIn[5]) i_dataOut1 = 5'h01;
    else if (dataIn[6]) i_dataOut1 = 5'h02;
    else if (dataIn[7]) i_dataOut1 = 5'h04;
    else if (dataIn[8]) i_dataOut1 = 5'h08;
    else if (dataIn[9]) i_dataOut1 = 5'h10;
end // always @ (...)

always @(*AUTONSENSE*/dataIn) begin
    i_dataOut2 = 5'd0;
    if (dataIn[10]) i_dataOut2 = 5'h01;
    else if (dataIn[11]) i_dataOut2 = 5'h02;
    else if (dataIn[12]) i_dataOut2 = 5'h04;
    else if (dataIn[13]) i_dataOut2 = 5'h08;
    else if (dataIn[14]) i_dataOut2 = 5'h10;
end // always @ (...)

always @(*AUTONSENSE*/dataIn) begin
    i_dataOut3 = 5'd0;
    if (dataIn[15]) i_dataOut3 = 5'h01;
    else if (dataIn[16]) i_dataOut3 = 5'h02;
    else if (dataIn[17]) i_dataOut3 = 5'h04;
    else if (dataIn[18]) i_dataOut3 = 5'h08;
    else if (dataIn[19]) i_dataOut3 = 5'h10;
end // always @ (...)

// "Mux" data out
assign i_dataOut4 = {i_dataOut1 & {5{-muxCtl1}}, i_dataOut0 & {5{muxCtl1}}};
assign i_dataOut5 = {i_dataOut3 & {5{-muxCtl2}}, i_dataOut2 & {5{muxCtl2}}};
assign dataOut = {i_dataOut5 & {10{en & -muxCtl3}}, i_dataOut4 & {10{en & muxCtl3}}};

endmodule // prio

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FIGURE 9

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Figure 6. Alternative "prio" module Verilog implementation.